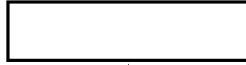


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Reconnaissance  
Office

SUBJECT : Security Proposal for Protection of  
TAGBOARD End Product

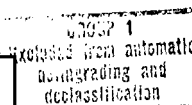
1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for  
your approval in paragraph 5 on the security protection to  
be afforded the TAGBOARD end product.

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a reconnaissance drone over denied territory. An experimental/  
operational mission over the south China mainland has been  
approved. It is planned that the Eastman Kodak Company will  
process the recovered film under secure conditions and that  
exploitation will be by the United States intelligence community  
in accordance with the guidance set forth in the National Tasking  
Plan.

3. In consideration of the fact that the mission is to be  
flown in an experimental/operational mode, unique requirements

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arise in connection with the security controls to be exercised.

Among these are:

(a) The undetermined need for technical evaluation of the film by contractors; and

(b) The possibility that at some future date the film obtained by TAGBOARD or by early satellite systems may be broken out of TALENT control.

4. In order to meet the dual objective of reasonable intelligence and technical exploitation with sound security, the Office of Security, CIA proposes that:

(a) The TAGBOARD film and subsequent reports be classified TOP SECRET--NO FOREIGN DISSEMINATION;

(b) The film and subsequent reports be provided <sup>the</sup> ~~a~~ unique codeword <sup>CHESS</sup> (~~TAG~~); and

(c) The processed film and reports therefrom be protected in the TALENT Control System

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pending further determination by appropriate  
authority of control features.

Thus each frame of the TAGBOARD film will bear the  
classification TOP SECRET--NO FOREIGN DISSEMINATION and  
the codeword TAG, in addition to other titling information.

5. Your approval is requested of the Office of Security  
CIA proposal to employ the classification of TOP SECRET--NO  
FOREIGN DISSEMINATION and the ~~unique~~ <sup>CHES</sup> codeword ~~TAG~~ in the  
titling of TAGBOARD film and subsequent reports derived there-  
from and control of this material in the TALENT Control System  
pending further determinations by appropriate authority of  
security controls.

CARL E. DUCKETT  
Deputy Director  
for Science & Technology

APPROVED:

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Director, National Reconnaissance Office

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Date

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CONCUR:

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Director of Security

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Director, Program "D"

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Chairman, Imagery Exploitation Sub-  
committee, COMIREX

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Chairman, Sanitization and Decontrol  
Working Group, COMIREX

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CONCUR:

Howard J. Osborn  
Director of Security

Date

Director, Program "D"

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Chairman, Imagery Exploitation Sub-  
committee, COMIREX

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MEMORANDUM FOR: TALENT Control Officer, CIA

SUBJECT : Security Proposal for Protection of  
TAGBOARD End Product

REFERENCE : [Redacted] same Subject (Draft  
Attached)

Attached for the consideration of the TALENT Control Officer, CIA and appropriate COMIREX subcommittee chairmen is a proposal by the TALENT Security Officer, CIA for the protection of the end product of the TAGBOARD Project. If their concurrence can be obtained in draft, the DD/S&T will be appropriately notified so that he in his role as the CIA Reconnaissance Officer may transmit the proposal to the Director, NRO.

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TALENT Security Officer, CIA

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